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Applicant

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1. The applicant is hereby **invited**, within the time limit indicated above, to furnish to this Authority:



a nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence listing **in written form** complying with the standard provided for in Annex C of the Administrative Instructions, accompanied by a **statement** to the effect that the sequence listing does not go beyond the disclosure in the international application as filed.



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a nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence listing and/or tables related thereto **in computer readable form** complying with the standard and/or technical requirements provided for in Annex C and/or Annex C-bis of the Administrative Instructions, accompanied by a **statement** that the information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written sequence listing and/or tables related thereto.



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2. **Failure to comply with this invitation** may result in this Authority not carrying out the international search to the extent that no meaningful search can be carried out.

3. Further observations (if necessary):

IMPORTANT REMARK:

The statements are legally required [See Suppl.No.2 to Official Journal No.11/1998 (page 14, § 37 and 40 and page 64, § III.2)]

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ANNEX

Dear applicant/representative,

Present application discloses amino acid/nucleotide sequences. **(see description, claims and figures)**

According to Supplement 2 to the Official Journal Nr.11/98 of the EPO [& Rule 5.2. PCT], if nucleotide / amino acid sequences **are disclosed** in a European/International patent application, the description shall contain a *sequence listing* complying with **WIPO standard ST. 25**.

The Sequence Listing is required for the explicit sequences given in the description, claims and figures of the present application.

Please note that the sequences which are not identical to the sequences disclosed in the prior art (fragments and/or modifications) should be given in the Sequence Listing.

The expressions nucleotide and amino acid sequences mean an unbranched of **ten or more** contiguous nucleotides and an unbranched sequence of **four or more** contiguous amino acids. Nucleotide sequences shorter than 10 contiguous nucleotides and amino acids sequences shorter than 4 residues must not be included in a sequence listing.

The ISA hereby invites the applicant to submit a sequence listing, with appropriate annotations for each sequence [where applicable], both on paper and in computer readable form, accompanied by the appropriate statements.

Relating to this, we remind you that if these requirements are not met or not met in due time, the EPO does not perform the international search where a meaningful search cannot be carried out (Rule 13^{ter}.1(c)PCT). In this case the international search report is replaced in full or in part by the statement under Article 17(2)(a)(ii)PCT.

Moreover Rule 13^{ter}(f) prescribes that a subsequently filed sequence listing, which is not a correction within the meaning of rule 26.4 PCT and which is not a rectification within the meaning of Rule 91.1.PCT of a sequence listing, shall not form part of the international application. In accordance herewith, the furnishing of a subsequently filed sequence listing does not give rise to an opportunity either to amend the description, claims and figures with a view to refer to said subsequently filed sequence listing or add it to the application as originally filed. The subsequently furnished listing will therefore normally not be forwarded to the international Bureau for publication purposes.

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